

## NEWS OF THE WEEK

HAPPENINGS OF THE SEVEN  
PAST DAYS ARE BRIEFLY  
TOLD HERE.

## FROM AROUND THE PLANET

Dispatches From Our Own and For-  
eign Countries Are Here Given  
in Short Meter for  
Busty Readers.

Dispatches received from Ciudad Porfirio Diaz, opposite Eagle Pass, Tex., indicate that the Carranzita movement has completely paralyzed coal mining in the northern part of Coahuila. All this immense coal-mining district is deserted and not a pound of coal has been extracted since last February.

Arthur and Harry James, brothers, and Thomas Daily, strike-breakers, were killed and Mary Nicholson seriously injured by rifle bullets fired into the apartment house in which they lived at Calumet, Mich.

Figures made public by the general manager of the Armour Packing company at Omaha show that the packers are selling beef ribs and loins to retailers at a reduction of 25 per cent from last year's prices.

There will be no general strike in Indianapolis at this time, and those striking teamsters whose employers have signed union contracts returned to work.

Guarded inquiries are being made at the state department by representatives of the European governments as to the prospect for an early termination of present conditions in Mexico, which are imposing grievous burdens upon foreign interests.

Several women fainted and others became hysterical and fought policemen in the raiding of a Chicago gambling house conducted by women for women. Slips showing that more than \$400 had been bet on horse races in the afternoon were confiscated.

A reward of \$5,000 was offered by Southern Pacific railway officials for the capture of the bandit who held up the passengers in a Pullman car on one of the company's trains near Los Angeles and killed Horace E. Montague, a traveling passenger agent of the road.

Representative Ferris of Oklahoma introduced a bill in the house to grant pensions to telegraphers who served in the military telegraph corps during the civil war.

Hoping he will be able to do what others have failed to do, President Huerta is sending to Europe his minister of finance, Adolfo de la Lanza, on a money-seeking mission.

Twenty-five indictments against national and state officers and members of the United Mine Workers were returned by the federal grand jury at Pueblo as the result of the Colorado coal strike.

Rather than endure starvation, the federal troops have evacuated Chihuahua City, under a siege for weeks, according to advices received in Juarez by Gen. Francisco Villa, the rebel leader.

The international tangle over the presence in the United States of J. Santos Yelazco, former president of Nicaragua, apparently was solved by Yelazco agreeing to return to Barcelona, Spain.

There will be a community Christmas tree on the broad plaza at the east front of the capitol in Washington Christmas eve, with high government officials participating in the festivities and the United States marine band furnishing the music.

Hopes that the cost of living might be reduced by free importation of wheat from Argentina went glimmering when Assistant Secretary Hamilton sent notice to collectors of customs that the retaliatory duty on wheat and its products must be enforced against most of the nations.

Six hundred refugees, mostly Mexicans, arrived at Laredo, Tex., from Monterey. Some declared an exodus of their countrymen to the United States greater than any that has taken place heretofore is expected if the National railway lines can resume traffic.

The unidentified patient, an Englishman, who has been at the county hospital in Chicago since Nov. 21, unable to tell his name or home, leaped from a window of the hospital and fled.

An egg boycott was declared in Kansas City. The directors of the Kansas City Housewives' league voted to follow out the plan recommended recently by the national organization of the league.

Five gray-haired women of the village of Volo, Ill., who rode Mrs. John Richardson on a rail one night last July because her name was linked by gossip with that of her brother-in-law were found guilty by a jury. Each may be fined \$200 and sentenced to six months in jail.

Poor pay in the government service is sending many scientific experts outside for employment, according to George Otis, director of the United States geological survey, in his annual report.

Admiral Enrique Howard, president of the supreme council of war and marine of Argentina, died at Buenos Ayres.

Reorganization of the department of agriculture is foreshadowed in Secretary Houston's first annual report presented to President Wilson.

Fifty persons, mostly negroes, are reported drowned at Sunnyside, Tex., a small town on the Lower Brazos river.

The radicals ruled the Republican state conference in New York and forced the approval of a direct state-wide primary law. State Chairman William Barnes' motion to reaffirm the more conservative primary plank in the Republican platform was defeated by a vote of 191 to 187.

A death roll of more than 50 persons, which likely will reach 60, was indicated by reports from the flooded Brazos river bottoms of south central Texas.

Forty-six lives were lost by the foundering of the Swedish steamer Matmberget off Bodø, Norway. The steamer left Narvik, Norway, Nov. 27 for Rotterdam.

The right of women to sit as judges and clerks of election in Chicago next spring will be challenged. It was announced from both Republican and Democratic sources.

Right Rev. Rafael Amador, Bishop of Huajuapam de Leon, Mexico, was received in private audience by the pope. The pope took great interest in the bishop's report on conditions in Mexico.

By a unanimous vote the striking coal miners in the southern Colorado coal fields formally rejected the strike settlement proposition made to them by Gov. Ammons.

Abrogation of the pass privilege by the Pennsylvania railroad for its employees has resulted in a movement in Pittsburgh to organize all clerks in railroad offices into a labor union.

With their steamship burning under them, 157 passengers of the Rito Grande, bound from New York to Brunswick, Ga., sat for hours in the life boats as they swung from the davits before they were rescued in what is considered one of the most remarkable feats of the Hattaras coast.

The French foreign office is gathering data for a commercial treaty with the United States. This is due partly to the new tariff. Industrial and commercial organizations are being consulted.

Mrs. Oscar Drum of Bongola, Mo., drowned her two children, 2½ years and 18 months old, according to her admission to Coroner C. M. Witmor. An investigation of her mental condition will be made.

Customs receipts of the government for November fell off about \$4,500,000, compared to November, 1912, according to the monthly treasury statement.

Five miners were entombed by a cave-in which extended from the fourth level to the thirteenth level of the Golden Cycle mine at Cripple Creek, Colo., and spread to the Christmas mine adjoining.

Oxford university will send a team from England to compete at the annual relay races under the auspices of the University of Pennsylvania at Philadelphia next April.

Seven generals of the Mexican regular army are ready to surrender and the backbone of the Huerta dictatorship in the north has been broken. A peace commission arrived in Juarez bearing terms of the surrender.

Five persons are reported killed in a fire in the Arcadia hotel, a Boston lodging house. Fifty other lodgers were trapped in the building, some fleeing down fire escapes.

Andrew Keys, living at Waukon, Ill., during a quarrel threw a pot of boiling coffee over his wife, according to the police.

John Stewart, 88 years old, multi-millionaire of Elburn, Ill., who desires to have every one of his grandchildren a millionaire before he dies and himself to die poor, has donated \$50,000 to the Lincoln Highway association.

The Indians of South Dakota are predicting there will be "no winter" this season. Freak December weather prevails all over the Dakotas, with warm rains and the thermometer well above freezing.

Extraordinary methods are being employed to obtain recruits for the federal army in Mexico. Servant girls display marked caution when they appear in streets, as they are aware of the fact that they have been drafted into the army as female soldiers.

William Hintze, county road overseer and Sunday school superintendent of Davenport, Neb., was arrested at Los Angeles on a telegraphic warrant accusing him of having embezzled \$280 of public funds and with violation of the Mann white slave act.

DICTATOR HUERTA  
HAS NEW CAPITOL

DICTATOR EVIDENTLY HAS EN-  
LISTED AID OF REBEL  
ZAPATA WING.

## FEDERALS AT U. S. BORDER

Chihuahua Refugees, in Column 35  
Miles Long, Arrive at Ojinaga  
After an 8-Day Tramp Over  
Mexican Desert.

London.—President Huerta's agents here received notification from the Mexican capital the provisional president intends to immediately transfer the seat of government from Mexico City to Iguala, state of Guerrero.

The agents were informed Gen. Huerta intends to fight the rebels to the end, but decided to send his family to Europe.

The report President Huerta is to move to Iguala is taken to mean Emilio Zapata, Infante Zapata, his brother, and El "Tortudo" Morales, the one-eyed schoolmaster lieutenant of his brothers, have "jumped" to the federals. If that were not the case not even Huerta would care to venture into the new territory.

FLEEING REBELS ARRIVING  
AT UNITED STATES BORDER

Marfa, Tex.—Stretching for 35 miles across the country towards Chihuahua, the refugees and federal troops from Chihuahua reached Ojinaga, on the Texas-Mexican border. The party has been on the road since Nov. 30.

The column was preceded by 20 scouts, who took possession of Ojinaga, from which the small rebel garrison had disappeared. With Gen. Merced, military governor of state under the Huerta government, who commands the party, are Generals Pascua Orozco, Marcelo Caraveo, Ynez Salazar and Antonio Rojas.

## Struggled for Eight Days.

There were several thousand men, women and children in the remarkable hegra, which struggled for eight days over the 185-mile trail through the desert and endured great hardships for want of food and water. They represent some of the richest families in the republic. Their flight with the army was in the face of reports that they might fall into the hands of the rebels.

Louis Terrazas, a wealthy land owner, reputed to own half of the state of Chihuahua, was said to have brought with him a vast fortune in cash, fearing it might be looted by the rebels if he remained in the evacuated city.

## March Presents Scene of Despair.

Witnesses viewing the oncoming throng from the hills at Ojinaga reported that the refugees were scattered in a thin line for several miles into the interior, and that the dusty confusion of broken-down wagons, disabled artillery and mingling of disheartened soldiers and famished civilians, as they slowly moved over the desert, presented a spectacle of universal despair.

The fear of being unable to keep pace with the escorting army, of being lost on the desert, or caught by the rebels, added to the miseries of so precipitate a flight and kept the refugees in almost a continuous frenzy.

Their arrival in a panic, but unharmed by the rebels, formed one of the most tragic incidents of the present revolution.

## Weds Woman Who Shot Him.

Chicago.—A near-tragedy in the life of R. Bruce Watson, Chicago architect and politician, has turned into a romance. Mr. Watson has married the woman who two years ago shot him twice and chased him through streets with a revolver.

## Aged Minister Slain.

Louisville, Ky.—Rev. John L. Gaunt, who lived the life of a recluse and who was known to have hoarded gold coin, was murdered. His body was thrown into a creek near his cottage at Flayville, a suburb.

## Wants to Fight Governor.

Vicksburg, Miss.—State Senator G. A. Hobbs, recently indicted, along with Lieut. Gov. Bilbo, for alleged bribery, gave out an open letter in which he virtually challenges Gov. Brewer to a duel.

## Mother of 21 Is Only 40.

Emporia, Kan.—The twenty-first child, a son, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Alpheus P. Boslander of this city. Mrs. Boslander is 40 years old.

Maeterlinck Defends Boxing. Paris.—Maurice Maeterlinck, Belgian author, in a public speech defended boxing as elevating to morals as well as good exercise.

## Women Call on President.

Washington.—Bearing "Votes for Women" banners, suffragists marched onto the White House to urge President Wilson to advocate an amendment to the constitution providing for universal woman suffrage.

## Executive of Brazil Weds.

Washington.—President Marshall Hermes de Fomasea of Brazil and Senorita Nair de Teffia, a daughter of a prominent member of the Brazilian senate, were married at the palace at Rio de Janeiro.

HOW TO AVOID  
CHRISTMAS FIRES

STATE INSURANCE COMMISSION  
ISSUES RECOMMENDATIONS  
ON TREE DECORATIONS.

## DO NOT USE COTTON SNOW

The Yearly Sacrifice of Good Men as  
Santa Claus and the Loss of Chil-  
dren's Lives in the Panic Is  
Cause of Timely Warning.

Jefferson City.—State Superintendent of Insurance Rev. J. J. Evans issued a general warning against the dangers of fire incident to the celebration of the Christmas holidays. He lays down rules to be followed in decorating and lighting Christmas trees. He says:

"I feel certain we will have fewer fires if the following rules are adopted:

"Don't decorate Christmas trees with paper, cotton or other inflammable material.

"Use only metallic tinsel or other non-inflammable material and set the tree securely, so that children in reaching for things cannot tip it over.

"Don't use cotton to represent snow. If you must have snow use asbestos fiber.

"Don't permit children to light or relight candles when parents are not present; they frequently set fire to their clothing instead. The tree itself will burn like oil when the needles have become dry.

"Keep matches out of the reach of children at holiday time; they like to experiment with them.

"The light, inflammable decorations in stores, churches and bazaars make fires easy to start and easy to spread. A match, a gas flame or any electrical defect may do it.

"Watch gas jets.

"Watch smokers.

"Don't make the slightest change in electric wiring without consulting the electrical inspector.

"Remember, a house of merriment is better than a house of mourning."

The necessity of using extreme care against fire during the Christmas season caused state authorities to issue the warning.

## Schools to Get \$8,690 From State.

Jefferson City.—State Superintendent of Schools W. F. Evans authorized the release of funds, under the act of the last general assembly providing for state aid for high schools, amounting to \$8,690. Superintendent Evans says his high school inspectors have visited the schools to which this money will go and have certified that they have met the conditions prescribed by the law and are entitled to the money.

The money released by Superintendent Evans goes to the following schools:

Bates county—Hume high school, \$650.

Benton county—High school of Lincoln, \$300; high school of Warsaw, \$500. Total, \$1,100.

Carroll county—High school of De Witt, \$347.27.

Cass county—High school of Drexel, \$400.

Darless county—High school of Coffey, \$249; high school of Pattonsburg, \$500. Total, \$490.

Franklin county—High school of New Haven, \$742.50.

Gentry county—High school of McFall, \$280.

Harrison county—High school of Plythe, \$300; high school of Eagleview, \$300. Total, \$600.

Holt county—High school of Craig, \$650.

Lafayette county—High school of Higginsville, \$200.

Linn county—High school of Brown, \$480.

Pettis county—High school of Green Ridge, \$540.

Superintendent Evans also certified to State Auditor John P. Gordon that he is authorized to disburse at once \$1250 from the fund for state aid for consolidated rural high schools, the high school inspectors having found the schools to which the money will go have complied with the conditions prescribed. The schools that will receive this money are: Linn county, Boomer Consolidated District No. 1, \$450; Osage county, Linn Consolidated District No. 1.

State aid for high schools and consolidated rural high schools was a part of the school legislation enacted by the forty-seventh general assembly.

Superintendent Evans and his assistants declare this legislation the greatest step in progress made by the educational system of Missouri during the past quarter of a century, and say its effects are already being shown in marked advancement in school work and conditions.

## Jasper County Fights Consumption.

Carthage.—The Jasper County Anti-Tuberculosis association has launched a campaign to raise money for construction of a sanitarium. Every minister in the county Sunday will urge donations.

## Suizer Speaks at Excelsior Springs.

Excelsior Springs.—Gov. Sulzer of New York, with Mrs. Sulzer and James Garrison of the New York Mail, spent a few days here resting, and while here delivered a lecture on "Tammany Treason."

## A RESUME OF POPULATION

A Sociological Analysis of the In-  
habitants of the Various Large  
Towns in Missouri.

Jefferson City.—A sociological analysis of the population of St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Springfield, Joplin, Hannibal and Sedalia, which is made in a bulletin containing advance information from the 1913 Red Book of the bureau of labor statistics, given publicly by Commissioner John T. Fitzpatrick, affords material for a study on what the future has in store for these flourishing Missouri metropolises and serves to indicate how cosmopolitan they are. The information given is based on federal census returns, recently compiled in this shape, and therefore is authentic.

The bulletin, which gives complete facts on the sex, race, birthplace, color, male voting strength and similar information of the cities in the synopsis, contains this declaration:

"Population statistics of Springfield, Joplin, Hannibal and Sedalia plainly reveal that nearly all the inhabitants are either native-born or else are the offsprings of aliens from countries which now rule Europe."

The federal official population of St. Louis, which figures will remain until the next census, is 687,029, of whom 642,488 are white, 43,960 negro and 581 Indian, Japanese or Chinese. The males outnumber the females, there being 346,968 men and boys and 340,061 women and girls.

Kansas City, with an official population of 248,281, has 224,677 white men, women and children, 23,566 negroes and 128 Indians, Japanese and Chinese. The foreign-born population numbers 25,327, of whom 5,354, or a little over a fifth, are of German extraction. England is represented by a population of 2,144 and Canada 1,738. The sons and daughters of Ireland number 2,266. Then there are 2,679 Italians, divided between north and south Italy. Swedes are numerous, there being 2,158. The number of other foreign representatives follow: Austria, 670; Belgium, 285; Denmark, 365; France, 270; Greece, 758; Holland, 103; Hungary, 322; Mexico, 233; Norway, 143; Roumania, 155; Scotland, 666; Switzerland, 343; Turkey, 146; scattering, 311.

A little over one-ninth of the population of St. Joseph is foreign-born. The same ratio seems to prevail in all Missouri cities and towns. Of the official population of 77,402, 73,128 are white, 4,248 negroes and 26 other Indian, Japanese or Chinese. The foreign-born number 8,115, which, compared with 10 years ago, is a decrease. Then there were 8,416 foreign-born. Divided between the sexes, there are 39,655 men and boys and 37,728 women and girls. Males of voting age number 26,651, officially. There are 16,086 dwellings, with 17,138 families to occupy them. The native-born count up 65,915 people, divided between 50,316 with native parentage and 14,699 of mixed descent.

Springfield, which the bulletin calls the "hub of the Ozarks," with an official population of 35,201 men, women and children, is the home of only 1,126 foreign-born, with those from Germany predominating with 327. English come next in strength, with 199. Canadians next, with 147, and Irish with 142. Sweden is represented by 105 natives; Scotland, 39; Switzerland, 27; Austria, 21; Denmark, 14; France, 10; Italy, 19; Turkey, 16, and the remainder divided between Belgium, Greece, Holland, Hungary, Mexico, Norway, Roumania and one or two other countries of Europe and Asia.

Joplin, with an official federal population of 22,973, is the home of 16,251 males and 15,842 females, men and boys outnumbering women and girls by 389, but not enough to fill the Springfield deficiency in males. As to color, there are 31,266 whites, 801 negroes and 6 Indians, Japanese and Chinese.

For Sedalia, of the official population of 17,822 men, women and children only 361 are foreign-born, regardless of there being two large railroad carshops there. This would indicate that the majority of the employees of these two establishments are native-born. The negro population is given as being 1,871, leaving the remainder, 15,951 whites, with 15,150 native-born. As to sex, there are 8,913 males and 8,999 females, or nearly enough women to go around, in case each single male wanted his full share of marital bliss. Of dwellings there are 4,165, with 4,493 families to occupy them, an indication that some houses are the abode of more than one family. The voting strength, all males over 21 years, is 5,619.

## Censor Loses Job.

Jefferson City.—Because Mike Kincannon of Joplin, a patrolman on the police force, told the wife of a prominent railroad man to "go home and get some clothes on," when he saw her on the street wearing a silk skirt, his resignation was demanded by Chief of Police J. H. Myers. Complaint of the patrolman's orders to the woman were filed with the police by the woman's husband.

## W. C. T. U. Protests Busch Statue.

Sedalia.—At a meeting of the Pet. County Women's Christian Temperance union a resolution was unanimously adopted directing that a letter be sent to the St. Louis branch of the order protesting against the erection of a monument to the memory of Adolphus Busch in a St. Louis park.

## Rear Admiral Divorced.

Kansas City.—Mrs. A. T. Salisbury, wife of Rear Admiral George R. Salisbury, has secured a divorce. They had been married 25 years.

## FROM ALL OVER THE STATE

## Missouri Hen a Winner.

Maryville.—In spite of the boycott and continued high price of eggs, Missouri hens are doing their best. One of her latest achievements is the defeat of the entire chicken world in an egg-laying contest. This particular hen laid 260 eggs in one year. Her nearest competitor was an English bird, only two eggs behind. She weighs only two pounds and a half, and laid 13 times her own weight in eggs, or more than laid her own weight in eggs each month.

## Grange Holds Open Session.

Moberly.—The Missouri grange, in convention at Moberly, held an open session and C. O. Raine of Canton, Mo., state master of the Missouri grange, presided. Addresses of welcome were made by Mayor Rolla Rothwell and Gus T. Glither, president of the Moberly Commercial club.

## To Throw Wine into River.

Hannibal.—According to a decision by Judge David P. Dyer in the United States court here 84 bottles of wine will be emptied into the Mississippi.

The wine was shipped to a local dealer by the Sweet Valley Wine company of Sandusky, O., and labeled scuppernon wine, a brand made of the scuppernon grape.

It was found to be an adulteration of this brand and to be misbranded.

## Will Plead Unwritten Law.

Carthage.—John Thralls, 40 years old, of Webb City, Mo., will be placed on trial in circuit court in Carthage for the first-degree murder of Edward Skelton, a former Joplin alderman, the night of May 22 last. Thralls will plead the unwritten law. Thralls and his wife were divorced before the killing and he blamed Skelton for his marital troubles.

## New Mills for Joplin District.

Joplin.—Although several zinc and lead mines in this district are closed down temporarily to await higher ore prices, all custom mining mills are operating at capacity to clean ore for small prospecting companies. Most of this class of ore is taken from shallow shafts at small expense. Two new concentrating plants are to be erected at once. The Underwriters' Land company will build a mill of modern design on the Connor land west of Joplin. Walter Bryan has started construction of a mill on the Connor land south of Cartersville.

## Routing Three State Highways.

Chillicothe.—Col. Frank Buffum, state highway commissioner, is in Chillicothe engaged in mapping three highways across Missouri. The first route runs from Omaha, Neb., to Brunswick, Mo., where it will connect with the cross-state highway and thence lead into St. Louis through Moberly, Centralia, Mexico and Montgomery City. The second route will start at Brunswick, pass through Chillicothe, Gaffney, Pattonsburg, Albany, Maryville and stop at Tarkio. The third route starts at Kansas City and passes through Excelsior Springs, Lawson, Polo, Brainerd, Chillicothe, Laredo, Harris and on to Cedar Rapids, Ia., where it will join the Red Ball route into St. Paul.

## Missourian 60 Years a Hunter.

Columbia.—Bonne county's oldest sportsman is R. B. Price, 81 years old, president of a Columbia bank, who took out a hunting license this week. He has been hunting around Columbia 60 years.

## Workman on Old Capitol Dies.

Fulton.—David Pollock, 97 years old, who helped build the old state capitol at Jefferson City and lived to see the new one started, is dead at his home in New Bloomfield. Pollock was a stonemason and worked on the old capitol in 1826. He was a native of Pennsylvania, but lived in Cole and Callaway counties the greater part of his life.

## Kills Three in Fight.

Bevier.—A triple killing has been enacted at Coal Camp No. 28. In a free-for-all fight, John Giogiolli shot and killed Paul Borella and another unidentified Italian, and stabbed John's brother, Gusiglio Giogiolli, to death. Giogiolli Red. An all-day search for him was of no avail.

## Dead After a Beating.

Johnston City.—Adolph Frank, a Frenchman, who was reported as having been beaten by an officer who arrested him for being drunk after attending a christening at Marion and who left his home in Johnston City, was found dead in a creek near West Frankfort and identified by relatives. It is believed he was beaten over the head so severely that he became demented.

## City Ownership Postponed.

Jefferson City.—Municipal ownership of public utilities received a setback, for the time being at least, in Jefferson City, when the council, by a vote of 7 to 2, adopted a resolution that no further action be taken at this time on the proposition.

## New Press Club Head.

Carthage.—Mrs. Emily Newell Blair of Carthage was elected president of the Missouri Women's Press club, which has just ended a three days' annual convention in Hollister.

## Old Justice of the Peace Quits.

Carthage.—J. W. Davis, for seven years justice of the peace in Carthage, a former probate judge of Jasper county and for many years a justice of the peace in Sarcoxie, has retired from office and will go to Springfield, Mo., to reside.